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### Editorial.

### REPORT OF MASS. STATE BOARD

Agriculture just presented to the Legisla- come within my reach, but so far without Probably no year since the first bale of

be found convenient and useful for reference, containing as it does, a vast amount of statistical information not easily accessible to age to keep this number. These cattle, cultural devastation, by the set of skinner

Then follows the "Lecture on Milk," by

ume, it being his first annual Report as Inamount of the most useful information on this important subject. No allusion to it, justice. The discussion on the subject that followed the lecture brought out many in-

teresting points. The lecture of Col. Clark, President Mass. Agricultural College, on the " Circulation of Sap in Plants" has been quoted pretty extensively from his notes submitted to the press soon after its delivery, and will not to treat it successfully.

Nothing need be said of the last lecture of Professor Agassis, which is now published for the first time. It is interesting, especially from the fact that it was his last public effort, and will be read by all for its intrinsic value. It is upon the " Structure intrinsic value. It is upon the "Structure and Growth of Domesticated Animals."

a kind that did not agree with the taste of and Growth of Domesticated Animals."

The rhole anvisces was charmed with it at members of my family. In color it was PHATE.

Having had much experience The whole audience was charmed with it at

The lecture on " Grape Culture in Massachusetts," by Dr. Jabez Fisher of Fitchburg. is a clear and practical discussion of the whole subject by one of the most experiful study by all who are interested in the cultivation of the grape. The tull discuspresent president, adds a great deal in the way of fullness and completeness with

which the whole subject is treated. Methods of Slaughtering Animals," is a valuable addition to the report, being illustraeattle husbandry followed, and was pretty thoroughly discussed by Dr. Loring and others who took part in the proceedings.

" Grass Culture, and the Management of Grass Lands" occupy some space and are aprather crowded out by the interest which every one felt in the culture of the grape on potatoes &c., by Mr. Hyde, Mr. Goodale who has had a greater experience with this plant than almost any other man in Massachusetts, and by Mr. Slade of Somer-

agricultural societies, by Joseph N. Sturte-

The volume contains 628 pages and is beautifuly illustrated by a lifelike heliotype Editor of Massachusetts Ploughman:

omplied with the law in making their lie.

### ABORTION IN COWS.

Correspondence.

Agriculture just presented to the Legislature is out with its usual promptness. A glance at its contents will give an idea of the great variety and the high acientific and practical character of its contents.

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Hon. Marshall P. Wilder follows with a lecture on the Progress and Improvement in "Hural Pursuits." This is a charming lecture and no one is capable of treating than help the more active more active

Boston, Feb. 21, 1874.

### "WHAT AILED THE PIGS!"

Editor Massachusetts Ploughman: In December last I addressed you through
the Ploughman, on the loss of a valuable
sow and eleven pigs, hoping to gain some
information in regard to the particular diffully under which they leftored as if a

farming field.

Now the question seems pertinent, while
everything is dependent on farming, should
everything else rob farming? And this so
as to render it the "poorest" paying business
known? There is a screw loose somewhere,

Editor Massachusetts Ploughman: ficulty under which they labored, so if a aye! a number of them, or this would not

treatment of the pigs, I think I said I gave them molasses in their milk. I said molasses them molasses in their milk. I said molasses the molasses with the molasses of the pigs, I think I said molasses the molasses with the section of the section of the molasses with the subdect of the molasses with the subdect of the molasses with the subdect several months ago. We should now time a clutch of eggs hatching artificially in his study, and it was his delight to break the worm is gnawing at her roots. Sad but true, it may well cause us to pause and processes of development.

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syrup from sandust, rags and other sub- grow finely until the dry weather came on, in a heap rapid fermentation ensues; there- agement of a flock of hens. glass with an infusion of tea, which contains

What do you think of the " sawdust and the rags, the sulphuric and muriatic acids, had put in the hill on the other half, and good but may be a positive injury. Fine lecturer, and the subject of the lecture was the lime and other corrosive substances, put a tableapoonful of phosphate in the hill, crops of potatoes may be grown upon it then taken up for a general discussion, and saying nothing about other substances that might adhere to the rage—going into the where the phosphate was used as where it where the phosphate was used as where it is adapted to cabbage and mangel wurzel most gratifying to learn as a result of keep-strange that we do not hear of children departing this life, who have used the "syrup?" But the pigs had it from four to half a pint of wood ashes on each hill and grown between fifty and sixty tons per acre, profit which it secures to his purse. six times in the twenty-four hours, whereas hoed them, completely covering the young with no other manure. children might not take it more than once vines. The result was, that on a sandy

FARMING IN MAINE

### Is Agriculture in the State of Maine Pro-

rontispiece of Prof. Agassis, and the first This is an amply broad question to have prize Ayrshire and Jersey cows of the two or more sides, and while we attempt to Messrs Sturtevant of South Framingham, offer a few ideas upon the one side, we ho and Edward Burnett, Esq., of Southboro. some doughty son of the soil will take up the Farmers in this State can procure copies gauntiet on the other side. It will thus be in and in which more or less was sticking : Legislature, of the secretaries of their ag- and we have read "between the two ex-

tribution throughout the Commonwealth. average farming in the State of Maine is a bug troubled them the whole season. not paying so large percentage of profits as machinery and the progress of science. The farmer is yet behind the one of twenty years Ploughman can throw any light upon the the shore portion of the State is acceleraublesome question of abortion in cows? ting each year, and that the farming inter-

with aid of plenty of muck and an abundance of oak leaves, used for bedding, give the me a large manure pile during the winter with the reare honorable exceptions.

We speak of the whole; we give the rule winter with the cheek manure pile during the winter with the cheek manure pile during the winter.

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treatment of the pigs, I think I said I gave climbing over crumbling walls, and twining

Your subscriber from Abington making gard to their value and uses as manure, without eggs. The largest known egg, that inquiries about the Cumberland Bone Co's Eel-grass which grows in harbors, on a of a bird now extinct, had a capacity of . mother being dead I pitied them the more, Superphosphate, leads me to my experience muddy or sandy bottom, not uncovered at eight and a half quarts, equal to one and gave them syrup instead of molasses with phosphate the past season, not with the low water, is valuable for banking cellars, hundred and forty-eight hens' eggs. not having the most distant idea that it Cumberland, for I am not acquainted with covering cabbages &c., to protect from frost would affect them unpleasantly; but I be- that, but with another article which I had during winter, or for bedding for hogs, but timated by the following figures. In 1852 lieve it was what killed the pigs. I think it confidence in. I experimented with it on must have been of the kind spoken of in the various crops, on some of which I doubted its power of fermentation; it is also sometimes eggs. In Great Britain 75,600 tons are an-

ter Daily Spy of Feb. 9, of which the following is a copy. (Keep in mind that the lowing is a copy. (Keep in mind that the laid down six years or more, one syrup is made in Maine.) The article says, barrel and saw little or no benefit. On an stem about an inch in diameter, with a broad acre sowed down the previous fall with tim- leaf six or eight inches wide, and from six In Paris 200,000,000 of the fact that several manufactories are now othy and redtop, I put on a barrel in the to twenty feet in length including the stem. sumed in a year. in full operation, producing cleap sugar and spring, which caused the young grass to This is a very valuable manure; when put stances. These sugars and syrups are corrected by sulphuric acid, muriatic acid, lime and other corrosive ingredients. The syrup did not sow the phosphute in order to see greatest advantage. A compost heap made can be very easily tested by its reaction with the difference, entirely dried up, while the up of meadow mud and kelp, in alternate tannin. A small quantity being put into a lot generally had a crop worth cutting. layers of a foot each, thoroughly worked,

I planted a piece of ground with sweet will make a manure of equal value with eggs. a large amount of tannin, will turn the mixcorn for canning purposes; a part of the
ture black on being stirred."

These rules careful
stable manure. Kelp may profitably be used
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hens lay in winter. spread the manure, about half as much as 1 or on low lands; in a dry season it does no

Agriculture," was a subject very skillfully presented by Prof. Noah Cressy of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. His leture contains much useful information on this important science.

The papers presented at the annual meeting of the board were the report on the agricultural college, the report of Prof. Goessmann, the inspector of fertilizers of Meers, always contains ammonis, dissolved in one gallon of morphology of milk by Dr. Sturtevant, and upon the essentials of agricultural inquiry, and suggestions upon the management of the same time.

Agriculture," was a subject very skillfully presented by Prof. Noah Cressy of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. His love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "the love of money is the root of all epith that "t

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### Another benefit which I think I have disvered from its use, (at least I never have A CURE FOR PICKING HENS. heard of it.) and which many would be glad

crops were on sandy loam land. Corn and

TO MAKE CIDER VINEGAR.

HARRIS LEWIS.

Northfield, Mass., Feb. 21, 1874.

otatoes planted May 25th.

to give your readers of the Ploughman the benefit of my experience with Fowls, in ret at the option of the of their representatives or senators in the discussed somewhat from two standpoints, set them in the garden and filled them with gard to a not uncommon difficulty where a water; after standing two or three days. proportionately large brood was kept about ricultural societies and farmers' clubs that tremes truth lies"—that is if truth ever does occasionally giving it a stir, I commenced a year ago. I noticed some of the hens in my sprinkling my cucumbers, squashes &c. with brood picking the heads of others, which returns to the Secretary of the Board. There We assume, first, that the agriculture of it, using a common sprinkler once a day, action I subsequently attributed to a craving are thus about four hundred points of dis- the State as a whole is retrograding; that -about sundown is the best time-and not appetite for something juicy or oily con-I have not h d a very long practical ex- This appetite increased with every day, until it was twenty years ago; that the farmer of perience in agriculture, but have had an exto-day must work as hard to secure as much tended opportunity for observation and crows in their picking operations, while the crop as then, and that with the appliance of study, not only in Massachusetts, but in disease extended through the entire brood. several other States, learning what I could I finally hit upon a cure which was this; from the experience of others; and I am led gathered together a quantity of earthen Will you allow me to inquire through ago in agricultural prosperity, plenty and to this conclusion, and upon this I base my ware and pounded it up with bones in about your columns if any of the readers of the comfort; that the retrograde movement in judgment with regard to crops, viz: that equal quantities. I also gave them broken vegetation needs to be fed with those chem- plaster. They soon abandon ical substances of which they are largely agance in picking each others' heads, and OF AGRICULTURE.

I am aware that the matter has been for a contented themselves with pulverized earthThe twenty-first annual Report of the Sectors of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture interpretation of the Agriculture interpretatio composed; for instance, potatoes contain contented themselves with pulverized earthamount of phosphate, and must have it or no adorned with their natural robe undisturbed

J. SHEPARD. Oakdale, Mass., March 2, 1874.

### POULTRY.

### Their History and Management.

Editor Massachusetts Ploughman At a recent meeting of the Boxford Fa mers' Club, Rev. S. D. Gammell delivered an interesting lecture on Poultry, their history and management. The importance of the subject was illustrated by reference to the recent poultry show in Boston, and to the one of the leading studies in all our schools great extent of the traffic in eggs and

The history of the domestic fowls was re- profitable, as well as satisfactory. viewed, tracing them from the native wild

several farmers who send their cows to him for service I know of only one who is troubled with abortion. Some of the cows troubled with abortion. Some of the cows as at present pursued, and the company of the company spector of Fertilizers. We think it one of the very best treatises on this subject ever published in this country, and we have no doubt it will be so considered. It is scien
The quiexest method by which the very difficult to get with after abortion are very difficult to get with this was said as an axiom, a general principle, and in view of the whole country But this was said as an axiom, a general principle, and in view of the whole country But ple, and in view of the whole country But the whole country and we have no older ones are not so troubled.

Supergiage. f any known business, ninety-four out of process, and vinegar making by dripping lace of amusement, as much attention was

the issue of these fights. The Asiatic gambler puts up his wife or child, and if these are lost he stakes as a last venture, -himself. Sometimes the oock has been over-persuaded to take the place of the hen in caring for a flock of chicks.

Can you direct me to any one that can give me any information in regard to churnsimilar case should occur I might be able be so.

The Ploughman in which you inserted my communication is not at hand, but in my communication is not at hand, but in my fences going to ruin, weeds and brambles my communication is not at hand, but in my fences going to ruin, weeds and brambles and the second state of cultivation. We see that the second state of cultivation is not at hand, but in my fences going to ruin, weeds and brambles and state of cultivation.

\*\*Northfield Mans. Feb. 21, 1874.\*\*

\*\*Another use for fowls has been to make give me any information in regard to churn-fing milk; whether it can be done successfully or not? Please answer and much oblige, Yours respectfully, and exceedingly interest and the successfully are successfully.

\*\*Northfield Mans. Feb. 21, 1874.\*\*

\*\*Northfield Mans. Feb. 21, 1874.\*\* by the patient study of the new born chick-

in ancient t mes and practised with great

The use of eggs is important in manufac-Having had much experience in the use of seaweed of the several varieties, I will tures, in arts and in medicines, as well as in endeavor to answer your inquiries with re- our kitchens. Think of a thankegiving The extent of the trade in eggs was

valuable to lighten the soil for a potato nually produced, and there are imported In Paris 200,000,000 of eggs are

Five simple rules were given for the man-

2. Cleanliness, dry quarters, good air 3. Warmth at night in winter. 4. Plenty of clean pure water. 5. Suitable food for the production

The thanks of the club were voted to the

"HINTS TO FARMERS."

### A lecture entitled "Hints to Farmers vas deliveded before the Farmers' Club of his town on Monday evening, Feb. 16th

the well known merits of the public lecturer ertainly suffered in no way by compariso with the professional caterers to public opinhings. His lecture was practical, concise. erming community it seems highly desira- greater than at the present time. ole that a moderate degree of information in he principles of agriculture should exist ong farmers' wives and farmers' daugh-

farming as in any of the other professions.

It is important the farmer should labor for new books and apparatus, and to defray the a specific object; that he should determine determine the determined the de what crops his land is best adapted to, tak- advancement of science, and especially for ing into consideration his locality as affect- the benefit of agriculture.

Hon. Harris Lewis, of Herkimer Co., N.
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the principles of this science is a materia

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best of these, and is an animal which any
farmer might be proud of; some heifer
to forego the advantages of college education sltogether, or to confine themselves to
a special and imperfect course.

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from the celebrated herd of Walcott & the principles of this science is a materia benefit to the farmer in making advantageous use of the fertilizers which his own farm may supply. Dr. Puffer referred, at this point, to the fact that in every peat bog or unreclaimed swamp, is hidden one of the most valuable constituents of plant growth, —geine, which, under proper circumstances

The Massachusetts Society for Promoting from the celebrated herd of Walcott & Campbell of New York, who, beside their \$40,000 Short Horns, keep a herd of -geine, which, under proper circumstances

Quoting the Report of the Coast Survey for 1870, there seems evidence conclusive that these lands have as great latent possibilities as have those of New Jersey and New York, where it is said that thirty years and New York, where it is said that thirty years

Clubs, but the public in general might be Referring to the college, he adds :

### MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Agricultural College was presented in the Senate, 12th inst., and the more importan sages from the statement of President

To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council The Trustees of the Massachusetts Agri-cultural College respectfully present the fol-owing report, for the year 1873: The institution has been bleased with its

and logically written. It deserved a larger audience, and undoubtedly would have had it, but for the wide spread opinion, that all things relating to farmers and farming are necessarily "slow" and "dull;" and another more deplorable sentiment, that ladies should ignore a subject so strongly trenching upon the well defined limits of the masculine sphere, lest they run the fearful risk of being called "strong minded." But in specify for eminent usefulness, was never greater than at the present time.

PINANCIAL CONDITION. The ordinary expenses of the college upon its present basis, which is as simple and among larmers wives and larmers around the sufficiently strong to be achieved, are about \$30,000 per animoded to defy the accusation of being num. The permanent cash fund in the State Treasury is \$283,333 83, vielding an annual income of \$15,000. The receipts for this part of the state that the opening of his lecture, Dr. Puffer At the opening of his lecture, Dr. Funer spoke of the failure among farmers in realizing a pecuniary success, as being largely due to the cultivation of too great a variety for tuition and room rent amount to about \$10,000 per annum, and cannot be increasizing a pecuniary success, as being largely ed to any considerable extent without additional buildings. Until, therefore, some functional buildings. Until, therefore, some further endowment be received, either from private. of crops. The nature of few farms admits of this with any reasonable expectation of success, and the well known adage of "too many irons in the fire," is as applicable in least \$5000. There are also many permanent improvements which should be made,

ing the market value of the produce. The lact that the college is the child of miles from Lawrence and six from Haverning the State appears to be an obstacle in the lecturer urged upon farmers, attention to way of securing donations from individuals, specialties in culture, as likely to be more profitable, as well as satisfactory.

The disadvantages under which farmers The disadvantages The disad

THE BENEFITS OF THE COLLEGE.

and combinations, may be made soluble, and rendered a most efficient adjunct, to in detail and the benefits of the institution summed up as follows:

The several departments are then referred are the specialties of this farm, and we are assured they pay not only in direct returns, but also in the improved condition of the improved condition of the improved condition. The several departments are then referred and rendered a most efficient adjunct, Muck applied by itself would be of little direct advantage, but muck combined with manures, which would liberate, or render soluble this element of geine in its composition, so that it can be taken up by the plant, becomes one of the most valuable fertilizers. Here the speaker dwelt somewhat at length upon the success, which has been any ord wide, in reclaiming bogs and marshes in Italy and in Holland, where the fortunes of a flourishing people have been literally shaped from mud; in England, where a system of dyking for the reclamation of marshes can be traced as far back as the Roman conquest. Returning to our own country, Dr. Puffer spoke of the success which had attended the reclaiming of the little in the

tracts in our own country; and advised young men to seek their fortunes in Marshfield and Scituate, making the needful first outlay in dyking the marsh land there, rather than going west to combat vague uncertainties, and the very disagreeable certainty of chills and fever.

Quoting the Report of the Coast Survey

Gession as soon as they have obtained money the sum and stock a farm.

It is, perhaps, hardly to be expected that tarmers, who have not themselves enjoyed the advantages of scientific and literary training, should fully appreciate the numeritainties, and the very disagreeable certainty of chills and fever.

Quoting the Report of the Coast Survey

Gession as soon as they have obtained money fore you, you can direct your workmen to any part of it without the possibility of their making a mistake. You can plan improvements and estimate their cost at your leisure, training, should fully appreciate the numeritainties, and the very disagreeable certainty of chills and fever.

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Gession as soon as they have obtained money fore you, you can direct your workmen to any part of it without the possibility of their making a mistake. You can plan improvements and estimate their cost at your leisure, training, should fully appreciate the numer with a little ingenuity and patience can draw man doubts the inestimable value of education to its possessor, or the increased power.

will not exhaust the strength and richness of the soil. As these marshes are made up of the debris of both land and sea, their great value for agricultural purposes would great value for agricultural purposes would says:

seem unquestionable, even were it not confirmed by actual experiment as well as scientific investigation.

We have only given a crude and hasty outline of Dr. Puffer's interesting and valuable lecture. If not only the Farmers (The terms of the collection of the co

The very fact, that it is so sale and so removerably the singular property of being able to extract from the atmosphere, without the aid of manure or stime lants, nitrogen sufficient for its own proper growth and nourishment. The straw and roots of clover contain a large amount of nitrogen, and these, when ploughed down, are therefore as valuable to the next crop sown as a copious supply of guano.

The very fact, that it is so sale and so remove that the least intelligent and the l

# Boutwell declares every farm crop to be ex-ceedingly profitable, the reason why farmers generally have so small an income being simply the smallness of their capital. He

says: "Let any farmer state an account with each particular crop, and he will fin his per cent. of profit so large that he would that of the leading merchants and manufac-turers of the country."

Before another generation has passed from the earth, hoth education and agricul-

ture will have risen greatly in the estima-tion of men. Happy will the boys of to-day be in their declining years, if they secure in their youth knowledge and culture enough to enable them to keep abreast with the wonderful progress of the world, and if they then enjoy possession of a comfortable ments and adornments which are daily be coming more common, and with that greatly enhanced value which inevitably accrues to landed property with advancing time, in all countries of permanent wealth and refine-

The officers of the Massachusetts Agri cultural College are earnestly and hopefully striving to elevate both the farmers and the arming of the State, and to increase the oductiveness of the soil and the attrac ions of rural life. They believe these re-ults will richly benefit all classes of the community, and therefore appeal with condence to their fellow citizens for liberal

pport. kindly sympathy and just criticism.

Respectfully submitted,

By order of the Trustees.

W. S. CLARK, President.

### Miscellaneous. THE FARM OF J. D. W. FRENCH,

ESSIX COUNTY, MASS.

and stock raising, all tending to selling milk,

country, Dr. Puffer spoke of the success which had attended the reclaiming of the waste lands and marshy tracts of New Jersey and southern New York, giving statistics of the crops raised thereon. Coming still nearer home, he spoke of the same kind of land, yet unreclaimed, lying in large tracts in our own country; and advised tracts in our own country in our own coun

### WHAT IS MEANT BY A HORSE

The power of prime movers is measured

Referring to the college, he adds:

Referring to the college, he a you ever examined your norses in the way. Its parts are somewhat more complicated, yet their design is simple and obvious. The hoof is not as it appears to the careless eye, a mere lump of insensible bone, fastened to the leg by a joint. It is made up of a series of thin leave of born, about 500 in L. F. Burt—There are two things I cannot by a joint. It is made up of a series of thin layers, or leaves of horn, about 500 in number, and nicely fitted to each other, and forming a lining to the foot itself. Then there are as many more layers, belonging to what is called the "coffin bone," and fitted

### WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

EETING OF THE HAMPSHIRE COL FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

f Hampshire met in the Parish Hall a North Amherst to discuss the question of Commercial and other Fertilizers." The Easthampton Farmers' Club were present s guests of the Institute, and took part in

The president being absent, Austin East nan, of North Amherst, was chosen chairnan, and he called the meeting at 11.15 A. M. A short review of the forenoon se ion and I will pass to the more important ussion of the afternoon. The discussion was his opinion, and of those that followed him, that more money had better be expended for grain for cattle food and less for comfertilizers. Large amounts of absor yards. Manure, when hauled out in heap should immediately be covered to preven aste. It is well to use plaster as a prevenive of excessive ferm recipitant of the ammonia of stable manure lay and other wet lands may be made vertile by draining and judicious application Barnyard manure, to derive the full benefit om it, must be well composted and decom sition well underway when applied to the Ashes with good nitrogenous matter nish an ample variety of food to ordinar

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rould like to ask a few questions. CHAIRMAN-We want all the questions that suggest themselves to be asked, and is to close the discussion, will answer them Mr. DELANO-I would like to ask wheth er it is better to apply liquid manure directly to the soil, or in some concentrated form the solids in suspension by filtration, etc ! Also, will cold affect the foliage of plants before the temperature falls to 32 deg ? LAWRENCE CLARK, of Easthampton, (at

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any such meeting to drink of the freely im parted experience of those assembled. We ton Farmers' Club, in order that we of the different sections may compare notes : for information must be compared for its possessors to gain the best results therefrom. We expend \$1 100 .- \$1400 for such ever year, using all kinds, nitrogenous and min eral. (Mr. Clark's farm contains 48 1-2 with a gravelly subsoil; it keeps from ten to twenty-five head of cattle, fifteen to twenty hogs, and four to six horses; the general incline is towards the east; and the cost four years ago was \$12 per acre.) Farmers should not decry a fertilizer before it has been well tried. The general action of manures of all sorts will vary with the season, manner of application, the kind of soil, the same sort often producing different special elements in the soil, etc. Farmers should study each his own soil, with reference to its particular demands. We grow vegetables chiefly, with some corn and genguano composted with muck or loam. Compost should always be used in preference to The power of prime movers is measured by horse power. Watt found that the strongest London draft horses were capable of doing work equivalent to raising 33,000 pounds one foot kigh per minute, and be took this as the unit of power for the steam engine. The horse is not usually capable of doing so great a quantity of work. Ranking the strongest of the steam of the strongest of t green manure. With that just mentioned I gave 26,000 foot pounds as the figure for a compost presents plant food ready prepared mean of several experiments, and it is probable that 25,000 feet pounds is a fair minute's average work for a good animal. It would require five or six men to do the work of a strong horse. Watt's estimate with a compost of fish guano and living stable manure; since then early vegetables and it has yielded one crop of 48 1-2 bushels of wheat per acre. We have not got rich at farming but we have enriched the farm. This I claim ought to be one of the

> upon it to keep the wind from blowing the farm away. I have been raising tobacco; but am inclined to go back to old fashioned farming, i, e., make all the manure I use,

L. S. WRIGHT, of Easthampton-I would like to ask Prof. Stockbridge to state the facts in regard to the leaching of soils. If

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Mr. Dana—I would add to this; how is 

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After weeks of annoyance and harsh treat-After weeks of annoyance and harsh treatment at the hands of officials, the case was compromised by the payment outright of \$271.000.

ious provisions shall be swept from the Hoosac Tunnel was presented to the Legislatur ents—shorts and meal, nine statute book. A most favorable impression this week. It favors the committal of the whole

corn being manured with a compost of flag guano and barayard manure, but I thin! we could better afford to buy it even then and raise something else. Not a handful of weeds could be found on the whole pieces, and, after planting, the cultivation only cost \$81,40 per neer for the ten acres.

CLEMENT RUSSELL— of Hadely—I have planted corn only manured with fish guano, and have found that it fell down hadly, not seeming able to bear its own weight, and the grain was abriveled. The stalks also were not worth one-half as much as ordinarily for fodder, and dry prematurely. Why is this? The corn looked thirly at first, affectively for the corn of the content of the fill of the year.

QUESTION—Did you find any young fish general statements of the gross wrongs perpetrated in the name of the law, must have their due weight in Congress, against the in-their dwe weight in Congress, against the in-their dwe weight in Congress, against the indicate the constitution of the constitution of the law, must have their due weight in Congress, against the indicate the constitution of the law, must have their due weight in Congress, against the indicate the constitution of the congress of the law, must have their due weight in Congress, against the indicate the congress of the constitution of the summer defended to the congress of the congress

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shorts (weight 5 lbs...) five cents, two quarts Indian meal, four cents—shorts and meal, nine cents—shorts and meal, nine cents—shorts pounds of hay, thirteen cants. Total cost feed per day per cow, twenty-two cents. Did not consider oil or cotton seed meals the cattle free from lice, cards daily, handles quietly. A cow that will give four quarts more than another is worth double.

Statute book. A most favorable impression this week. It favors the committee to the hands of trustees. — Lord Dundreary accepted a complimentary breakfast at the Parker House, tendered by the four quarts more than another is worth double.

READ AND RUN.

the military arm, and the possession of the ma-terial means, to find an occasion to punish the

PERSONAL. Hon. Josish Quincy of Rumney, N. H., reached his eighty-first birthday on Saturday last, and his fellow townsmen, among whom he has spent the most of his years and whose interests he has promoted in many whose interests he has promoted in many ways, both public and private, took advantage of the occasion to manifest their regard for him by calling at his residence and tendering their congratulations and kind wishes. They were received with generous hospitality and a very pleasant remnion was enjoyed. Mr. Quincy, notwithstanding his advanced age, still retains good health, while his mental powers are remarkably active and vigorous, and the prospects are favorable for a considerable prolongation of his lone, active and useful life.

RELIABLE. The New England Dollar Sale at 33 Bromfield Street, although a new house in the trade, have built up a business of which an old establishment might well be proud of. Their patrons increase every day and their goods give satisfaction as is proved by second and third orders from the same parties. This house here no connection with any other, sells only new staple goods and the loads daily shipped by the various expresses, as well as the fact that the ouncern is never complained of, proves that they have a right to their claim of being "prompt, straight forward and homerable." They wridently deserve their abundant success. See advertisement.

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Editor's Table.

FOREIGN TELEGRAMS.

parture, leaving the legacy of a noble life's lessons for those who come after.

CONGRESS.

The debate on the Centennial bill has continued in the Senate. An amendment was offered by Mr. Frelinghuysen, to instruct the commissee to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not appear agree at the sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not exceeding three million dollars, sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not appear agree at the sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not appear agree at the sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not appear agree at the sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation, not appear agree at the sufficient to report a bill making an appropriation of the Opposition bench.

The debate on the Centennial bill has continue in the season for stock purposes. His pedigree is given in into the correspondent of the Daily News, at St. Petersburg, writes on the 28th and the stables of Whitcomb Bros.

London, March 5.—The daily supposition to inquire into the correspondent of the Daily News, at St. Petersburg, and the fine picture of him in another column, and the fine picture of him in last week's Ploughman will be recollected, as another column, and the fine picture of him in last week's Ploughman will be recollected, as another

stated the disease, and a long and distressing these their decisions and a long and distressing the matter. Let the dumb race is overcloing the matter. Let the devald try the dumb animal occupation just for once, and see.

The poultry people begin to revive butiness with the incoming of spring, and ages and biving will be advertised plentifully in a very short inte.

The New England Agricultural Club have been interested the right motto on their banner; New England five its Sons and Daughters!

There is spring the tax on mortgages altogether, and the same sentiment is becoming more of see prevalent in Massachusetts.

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BOSTON LEATHER MARKET

BOSTON BOOT AND SHOE MARKET.

There is a considerable number of Western buyers in the market, but they are pursuing the policy which seems so propular this season, of purchasing sins? lots of goods only. Reports from distant parts of the country speak of the retail trade as light, and though money is plenty at the great centres, retail buvers seem to have less than mund, and purchase boots and shoes only when compelled to do see. Call boots are in very limited demand and though some of the factories are moderately busy, others have dischafted most of their cutters. Brogums and plough shoes are selfing steadily, but the demand lacks activity. Light good for women's wear are selfing fairly. The New England trade is improving a little, but it is not up to the average at this time in past years. Prifes are without material change within the reat three weeks, but manufacturers are compelled to make low figures if order to secure trade — Com. Bulletin.

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Eight car loads constituted the stock of sheep at market over the northern roads. These were nearly all handled by old Vermont drovers, who soon turned them over to butchers at stiff last week's prices.

Geo. Hutchinson of West Randolph, Vt., came in with a load; part of his own feeding, a nice, bright flock, and sold comfortably easy to Henry Goodnough, at 7c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ b; gross weight 7950 ibs; \$\frac{1}{2}\$ the market of the lock and sold comfortably easy to Henry Goodnough, at 7c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ b; gross weight 7950 ibs; \$\frac{1}{2}\$ the market of the lock at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ the head of the lock at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ the H. G. & J. Wood sold \$117\$ sheep, average 71 lbs, at \$\frac{1}{2}\$c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ ff lb. POULTRY. POULTRY.

The best lot of live poultry we have seen this season was a full car load of 1100 head, 420 chickens and 675 turkeys, that came through from Chicago via Albany, by A. H. Wright, reshipped at Chicago; all came through in very nice condition with the exception of 6 that died; sold at 12 @ let # lb. Several lots are now in the country waiting improved markets. F. r. Brady had a small lot this morning at market at 15c # lb.

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ALBANY MARKET.

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CHICAGO MARKET.

Beef Cattle.—There was a better quality of stock or sale during the first half of the week and under more favorable advisor from the eastern markets shippers operated prefty freely in good to choice steers for which prices ruled first. There were a few droves one seat in first Lands, yet the best droves were pretty well taken by Kew York and Albomy buyers at 67 62 fb for choice, and 580 75 for good to prime second class steers. Fittsburgh, Detroit and Cheveland buyers at 67 62 fb for choice, and 580 75 for good to prime second class steers. Fittsburgh, Detroit and Cheveland buyers were in the market and bought quite liberally. The demand for medium, fissily steers was not as large as creal, and prices were smaller, fair is good fissily butcher? a steem relling at \$3 7500 fb.

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BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET. Prices for Beef Cattle ranged as fellows:— Beet Baevas at 500 %7 Or; that generally nated first quality, 4 75%5 75 medium or good fair quality, 4 00%4 75; ordinary this steers, exen and cows 3 25%4 CO; inferior and lowest grades of cattle 0000 00. General average of the manket \$5.00, extreme range of price 32 % 750. Most of the sales were from 4 50 to \$6.00 moment in the market fill of the sales were from 4 50 to \$6.00 moment in the market the prices of the sales were from 4 50 to \$6.00 moment in the market they found the sales were the sales of the sales were the sales of the sales were the sales of the sale Prices for Beef Cattle ranged as follows: - Beet Baseves a 600 27 00; that generally rated first quality, 4 75@6 75

BOSTON KITCHEN MARKET. For the week ending Mar. 12, 1874. RETAIL PRICES.

Reported expressly for the Plaughman

INSIDE QUINCY MARKET. Corrected by E. Holden & Son, Nos. 49 & 51

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Fish, &c. Corrected by Walker & Rich, Nos. 113 & 117.

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INSIDE QUINCY MARKET. Beef, &c.
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BOSTON HAY MARKET. SEED MARKET.

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For the Massachusetts Ploughmas NEW ENGLAND AGRICULTURAL

CLUB. No new organization has met with hearty approval and generous support than the New England Agricultural Club. From the time (more than one year ago) when an article suggesting it was published in the Plous Amor sent, the author of that article has been constantly receiving letters of encouragement with the best and most intelligent friends of agriculture in New England, and has already commenced its work; several Institutes have been held in Massachusetts, and one is to be held in Waterville, Maine, on the 26th and 27th of March; from the character of the men who sent at the Institute in Maine, it will be one of the most important assemblies of practical farmers, ever held in the State.

Let every farmer in New England send in his n ame, and become a member of the Club, and especially every farmer in Massachusetts, where the Club had its birth. The fee for membership at present is \$2.00. which with the name and address may be sent to the Secretary, Daniel Round, Norfolk.

Massachusetts ought to show a bold front at NORFOLK.

The Semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of the Milk Producers' Assoeiation of Massachusetts and New Hamp-shine.—The Board of Managers of the above named Association held its regular semi-annual meeting on Monday, March 9, at the Qu:ncy House in this city, B. F. Hutchinson, Esq., of Milford, N. H., Vice-President, in the chair. The Secretary, D. Round, of Norfolk, Mass., read a large number of letters from members of the Corresponding Committee giving answers to the following questions: 1. At what price per an ought milk te be sold during the summer of 1874 to return a fair compensation to the farmer? the probable quantity of milk be greater or less than other seasons? 4. Is any milk sent from

your vicinity to Boston except that sold to con-From the replies to these questions the Board the price of milk at the farms shall be the same as last year. 2. That the quantity of hay on hand is about an average in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. 3. That the supply will be greater than an average, and 4. That in no case, except near to Boston, is milk sold except in transportation was considered, and steps contractors were present, and expressed their

Wilton the 20th, with Henry Gray for Master;
Waldo Foster, Overseer; Geo. L. Darcomb,
Lecturer; Geo. H. Keyes, Steward; Henry N.
Gray, Assistant Steward; Chas. Wilson, Chaplan; Gardner Blanchard, Treasurer; A. Dwight
Abbuti, Secretary; J. W. Stiles, Gate Keeper;
Mrs. H. N. Gray, Ceres; Mrs. Levi A. Pierce,
Pomona; Mrs. Gardner Blanchard, Flora;
Mrs. Geo. H. Keyes, Lady Assistant Steward.
And Prospect Grange at Mount Vernon this
P. M., with Andrew W. Raymond, Master;
Wm. Stevens, Overseer; John Trevitt, Lecturer; G. W. Averill, Steward; J. T. McCollon, Assistant Steward; Granville Parker,
Chaplain; Chas. H. Raymond, Treasurer; John
M. Fox, Secretary; David A. Stiles, Gate
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In Groveland, March 4, by Rev. Chas. A. Rand, Rector Trivity Church, Hawrthill. Geo. W. Griffin of New rick to Miss Clars B. Perry of Groveland.

DEATHS.

In this city, March S, Sarah N. Ware, 43. March 6, Mrs. Anna Willett, 61. March 3. (Highlands), Mary Brastow, widow of John yres, and daughter of the late Col. Daniel Messinger March 8, (Highlands) Emeline H., wife of Jonathan R In South Boston, March 6, Wm. Erwin, 35 years. In South Boston, March 3, Eben Jackson, 76 yrs 8 In Waitham, March 6, Helen Eliza, only child of Fred and the late Eliza W. Wellington, aged 7 yrs 5 mo Forter, Me., 57. darch 6, Mrs. Bertha Farwell, widow of Farwell, 91 years. arch 5, Mrs. Harriet G. Rogers, formerly

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### The Poet's Corner.

Pair is the night, ay, fair and deep; The moonlight drowns the vale; My eyes are heavy, but not with sleep

And the night moth droops her sail. There's not so much as the breath of a bree The stars are ghostly and few; And out in the cold and motionless trees
I hear the drip o' the dew.

But the haunting shadows are never still, They wander all night alone, And the sleepless insects arone and shrill

Ah! long ago was a summer night Like this,—and yet another far, For the moonlight flowed, and the air hung

And happy was every star. The dew, that night, was a blissful balm, And seemed on my heart to fall

The calm was an overflowing calm, And love was the life of all. Then piping choirs shrilled high, as now;

But hushed is the sylvan flute Of the nightingale that dreamed on the bough; And the tenderer music is mute. ' Tis the same save that, and yet all is strange, Yes. I look and look, but can see no change,

### Ladies' Department. Marriage Under Difficulties.

Towards the end of the year 1811 an on his estate at Nenaradovo. He was well arward to a game of cards at five konecks takes, with his wife, Prascovia Petrovna, there chiefly to get a glimpse of their laughter, Maria Gavrilovna, an elegant, nen for themselves, while others desired her

The reading of French novels had perotibly influenced Maria's character and asequently she felt that she must be in he chosen object of her affection oor ensign in the army, just then at on leave of absence. The young an was inflamed with a like passion, and ir daught reven to think of him, and he

" Is Jadrino far from here ?"

him whatever he asks."

Why dost thou talk to me of horses?"

the young lady had not had a good night

How is the head, Masha?" asked Gav

The day passed happily, but that night Masha was taken ill. A messenger was

asha was taken ill. A messenger was spatched into town for the doctor. He

rived towards the following evening and und her delirious. A violent fever had

et in, and the poor patient lay for a fort-

The war had in the meantime come to a

Better, papa," she answered.

demned to death.

ws of constant love, bewailed their crue nte, and meditated on means of deliver-nce. Their letters and secret conferences ery naturally led them to the following lusions :- that life would be a burdet nd as their hurd-hearted parents chose to lace obstacles in the way of their happiness, uld it not be possible to forego their con nt altogether. Of course it was the

eetings, but their correspondence became to more active. Vladimir Nikolaevitch sought Maria to consent to a clandestine arriage, proposing that they should keep emselves concealed for a while and finally row themselves at her parent's feet, who, ached by such unequalted constancy, and the unhappiness of the lovers would be in terelent and receive them with the

Maria wavered long. One plan of flight on the following day, retire to her room be-ore supper, under the pretext of suffering om a headache; that accompanied by her asid, who would be privy to the arrange-

nould be in readiness, and that she should drive to the village of Jadrino, shout five versits from Nenaradovo, and alight at the church, where Vladimir would be found Maria passed a sleepless night. She mental young lady, and another to her trents. She bade them farewell in the conduct the insurmountable strength her passion, and concluded with the asould be able to throw herself at their feet Having sealed the letters, she flung herself upon the b d just before day break and deous dreams. Now she saw her fathe itn an inexpressible sickness at heart, nen she saw Vladimir, stretched on the

She rose at last, paler than usual, and this Vhat ails thee, Masha?" went to be her ravings. Nevertheless, her utterances were so disconnected that even her mother, who never quitted her bedside, could only she could not succeed. Evening came gather from them that her daughter was desperately in love with Vladimir Nikolaevitch, her last day in her old home seemed her illness. She consulted her husband nd was mentally bidding a secret farewell everybody and every object which sur-sunded her. Supper was served. Her eart beat fast. Her voice faltered as she her as was their wont. She

we know of no excuse in exculpation of our n sid entreated her to be calm and take xistence. A snow-storm was raging; the ileace and sleep. Masha drew a shawl around her shoulders, threw on a warm cloak, took her casket, and slipped through the back entrance. Her maid followed her,

arrying two bundles. They entered the The storm had not abated, and th he chilled horses would not stand still, and the canner was trying to curb their restlessness. Having assisted the young lady and her maid into the sledge, he wed away the casket and bundles, seized e reins, and they were off. Having entrusted the young lady to the are and management of Tereshka, the

hman, let us return to the young lover

Vladimir had been astir all day. In the morning he had called upon the p. iest of Jadrino, whose scruples he with some difficulty overcame. He then went to invite witnesses amongst the neighboring landowners. He first unburdened himself to Dravin, a retired expret of about first, who ravin, a retired cornet of about forty, who reminded him of times long gone by and of his own regimental spre ned Viadimir to stay and dine, having st convinced him that he would meet with o difficulty in the choice of the two other And he was right, for scarcely was dinner over, when there appeared Schmidt, the land surveyor, who wore a moustache and apura; and a youth of sixteen, the son of the Captain of Police, who had quite recently joined the Uhlands. They not only accepted Vladimir's invitation but went so far as as to assure him of eir readiness to lay down their lives in his cause. He embraced them with rapture and

The war had in the meanume come to a glorious termination. The Russian troops were returning from abroad. The people hurried to meet them. Bands were sounding strains of conquest. The fields of battle had changed those who had set out for the mir dispatched his troika to Nenaradovo in charge of Tereshka, with strict and detailed instructions, and ordered the small one horse sledge to be got ready for himself and had changed those who had set out for the campaign as mere striplings into men, and they now came back decorated with crosses. Soldiers were seen conversing gaily, mixing here and there French and German words horse stedge to be got ready for himself and dispensing with a coachman, he left for Jadrino, where Maria Gavrilovna would be in a couple of hours. He knew the road, and it was but a twenty minutes drive.

Vladimir had scarcely cleared the paddock,

did the Russian heart beat at the word fatherland! How unanimously did the feeling of national pride join that of love for the sovereign. And for himself what a moment ! and found himself in the open country when

and found himself in the open country when the wind rose and a blinding snow storm set in. In an instant the road became obliterated, and the country around disappeared in a thick, yellowish mist, across which the white snow-flakes were chasing each other. The sky and earth had melted into one. Viadimir found that he had strayed into the fields, and endeavored, but in vain to regain the road. His horse went at random and was now lifting him over the drifted snow, then sinking him into a ditch. The sledge was continually upsetting; his only care was not to swerve from the right direction. But he fancied that half an hour and even longer must have elapsed and the Jadrino wood was not yet reached. Ten minutes more passed and still no wood was to be seen. He was now driving across fields inseen. He was now driving across fields inwood was not yet reached. Ten minutes more passed and still no wood was to be taited, were it possible, to a still higher seen. He was now driving across fields intersected by deep ditches. The snow storm was not abating and the sky was no clearer. His horse was beginning to show signs of fa-

His horse was beginning to show signs of fa-tigue, and he himself was drenched in per-spiration, notwithstanding his being con-As we have before stated, Maria, notwith-standing her indifference was surrounded by admirers. But all had to withdraw, when there appeared on the field a wounded colo-nel of Hussars, named Bourmin, wearing the order of St. George in his button-hole, and looking interestingly pale, as the young ladies of the place described him. He was ually up to his waist m snow. Convinced at last that he had taken a wrong direction, he s'opped and began to reflect and to consider his position, when he became persuaded that he should have turned to the right. He now did so. His about six-and-twenty, and had returned on leave of absence to his estate which ad-joined that of Maria Gavrilovna. Maria singled him out in a marked manner. His horse could scarcely move. But he had al-ready been driven over an hour. Jadrino could not be far off. He pressed on and on singled him out in a marked manner. His prosence cherred her. One cannot say that she could not be far off. He pressed on and on the fields seemed never to end. Snowdrifts and ditches still intercepted his progress, the sledge was still being upset, and he was continually righting it. Time sped on and Vladimir became seriously alarmed.

At last a dark spot loomed in the distance. He turned in its direction and discovered it to be a wood. "Thank God," thought he, "it is all right now." He kept close by its edge, hoping either to come upon the well-known tracks or to make the circuit of the forest, just behind which lay Jadrino. The track soon appeared and he plunged into the gloom of the now leafless trees. Here he was sheltered from the wind, the road

he was sheltered from the wind, the road was easy, the horse stepped out and Vladi-But he still traveled on and on, and Jadrino was nowhere to be seen. The track seemed endless. He now discovered with horror that he had penetrated a strange forest. Despair seized upon him. He struck the horse; the poor animal started off at a trot, but soon relaxed its pace, and ln a short time toiled on step by step, and all the unhappy Vladimir's efforts to hurry it were unavailing.

By degrees the trees thinned and the wood was cleared, but still no Jadrino apood was cleared, but still no Jadrino ap-eare!. It must nave been close upon midnight. Tears started to his eyes, and he drove on recklessly. The storm in the meanwhile abated, the clouds dispersed; a broad plain, with a white undulating carpet, stretched before him. As the night cleared up he observed that a hamlet consisting of ur or five tenements was not far off. He

rove to it. Pulling up at the first cottage, the jumped out of the sledge and rapped at the window. Shortly the wooden shutter was raised and an old man pushed his gray "Not far. Ten versts may be." On hearing this, Vladimir clutched his air and remained motionless, like a man "I say, old man," he exclaimed at last, canst thou let me have horses to take me

swered the mujik.
"May I not at least have a gnide? I will Go to her; I will remain and wait for you so much as this dog.

Yes," said the old man, letting down shutter. "I will send my son who will -" Please God, the matter will be settled o-day."

Bourmin found Maria by the lake under a nduct thee thither."
Viadimir waited. Presently the gates rreaked, and a lad came out armed with a willow, book in hand and dressed in white tub and took the lead, now pointing to the truly a heroine of romance. After the -truly a heroine of romance. After the first interchange of words she purposely let the conversation flag, increasing thereby ad, now searching for it where the snow their mutual embarassment, from which only a sudden and decided explanation could now extricate them. At length " It will soon be day break, answered the

The cocks were crowing and the day was dawning when they reached Jadrino. The church was closed. Viadimir rewarded his guide and drove into the priest's stable-yard. No troike was to be seen, and what was the new which here a waited him?—

But let us return to the good people of Nenaradovo, and see what is going on in that place.

III.

The old people rose and proceeded into the drawing-room, Gavrilo Gavrilovitch in his nightcap and warm packet. Tracevra Petrovna in a waided dressing-gown. The same of you, of your dear image, must ever beams and some of the good people of the drawing-room, Gavrilo Gavrilovitch in his nightcap and warm packet. Tracevra Petrovna in a waided dressing-gown. The same of you, of your dear image, must ever beams and warm lacked trace was to be used, thus do and feeble now, the strength has left my arm

That used to swing the axe and scythe on this time-honored farm;

Tis not that I would think to add much to our worldly store.

For while we live we've plenty, wife, and why need wish for more?

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If was to help support the cause, and help to the habit, the sweet habit of seeing you, of hearing you, daily. It is now too late to tree world was a pony got more legs than a donivation of the skell this in such case, where about donkey riding, Miasy.

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The cord of war with the painful operation of using the internation. Maria closed for the strength and power.

The c But a hard duty still remains to be performed: the dreadful secret must be disclosed—that secret which raises an insurmountable

barrier between us." "That barrier has always existed," in ad slept. The girl returned declaring that rupted Maria. "I never could have been out she now felt better and would herself be lown directly. In a few moments Maria "I know," answered he, softly-" I know that you once loved; but death and three years of mourning! My dear, my good Maria! do not seek to deprive me of the same in and bade her father and mother

consolation of thinking that you would have mented to secure my happiness were it "Perhaps the fumes from the stove had iven thee a headache," said Prascovia Pe-"Stop! for Heaven's sake, stop! You orture me." not for that.' Oh, yes! I know, I feel that you would

have been mine, but I am the most wretched of beings. I am married!" Maria looked up at him in astonishment. "I am married," continued Bourmin; I have been married nearly four years, and I know not who my wife is, where she is, or whether I shall ever see her again?"

"What do you say?" exclaimed Maris.
"How strange! But go on: I will speak later. Pray go on."

ight between life and death. No suspicion was entertained of the plan-ed flight. The letters written on the eve later. Pray go on."
"Early in the year 1812." said Bourmin. had been burned. The maid had disclosed ter and mistress. The priest, the retired cornet, the mustached land surveyor and the charming young Uhlan were equally reserved. Tereshka, the coachmar, was not in the habit of dropping idle words, even in his tipsy moments, and thus more than half a dozen actors mairtained the secret of the plot.

But Maria and the secret of the retired cornet, was now storm came on, and the station master and the drivers all urged my waiting. I took their advice; but an unaccountable uneasing the return of the plot. But Maria herself nearly disclosed all in pelled to push on. The fury of the storm remained unabated, but I could wait no longer, and ordering the horses to be put to a second time, I drovs off. The driver be-thought himself of a short cut across the river, which would curtail our journey by three versts. But the snow having drifted d that this attachment was the cause of over the river bank, we missed the looked

and some of her neighbors and they all an animously arrived at the conclusion that one could not flee one's destiny, that poverty

"The storm still raged; but I espied a one could not flee one's destiny, that poverty was no crime, that one did not marry riches but a husband, and so on. It is wonderful it. We entered a village. In the little at a husband, and so on. It is wonderful it. We entered a village. In the little ow consoling moral precepts become when open, glimmered a light; several sledges on the should be sent for and made acquainted with the unexpected happiness in store for him—consent to their union. What must had long since discontinued his visits. It was now resolved that him—consent to their union. What must lamb delayed you? The bride has fainted, the priest is at his wit's end, and we had almost decided upon going glummered a light; several sledges atood outside the paling, and people loitered about the porch. 'This way!" exclaimed several voices. I ordered the man to drive up. 'Dear me," anid one, 'What has delayed you? The bride has fainted, the priest is at his wit's end, and we had almost decided upon going glummered a light; several sledges atood outside the paling, and people loitered about the porch. 'This way!" exclaimed several voices. I ordered the man to drive up. 'Dear me," anid one, 'What has delayed you? The bride has fainted, the priest is at his way!" what has delayed you? The bride has dard, a custom of long standing abroad. The fashionable card just now is almost product the priest is at his wit's end, and we have been their surprise when the only answer this invitation elicted was received in the shape of a disconnected and raving letter, in which Viadimir informed them that he could never again put his foot into their house, and begged them at the same time to forget the hapless being whose only comfort themceforth was to be looked for in the grave. They heard a few days later that he had joined the army. This was in 1812.

It was a long time before the convalescent Masha could be told of it. Thenceforth when the remetioned Viadimir. Upon seeing his name among the list of severely wounded at Borodino she fainted away, and fears were entertained of a relapse. Bat fortunately the awoon was not followed by an after word of the consequences.

Another trial swaited her. Gavrilo Gavrilovitch uted, leaving her sole heireas to all be possessed. But the legacy did not console her. The mother's grief was most sincerely shared by the daughter, who protested that the would hever leave her, and quitting Nenaradovo, so replete with and preminiseences, they settled on one of their own what has become of your wife?

Here also admirers flocked around the amiable and wealthy heireas, but she encouraged none of them. Her mother some times urged her to make a choice, but on such occasions Maria would only shake her head and look pensive. Although the intelligence had reached her that Vladimir bad dead at Moscow on the ever of the entry head and look pensive. Although the intelligence had reached her that Vladimir bad dead at Moscow on the ever feel the entry head and look pensive. Although the intelligence had reached her that Vladimir bad and at Moscow on the ever feel the entry head and look pensive. Although the intelligence had reached her that Vladimir bad dead at Moscow on the ever feel the entry head and how the comment of the entry head and house here and her make a

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FA Kentucky grange has had its little romance. Recently a young brother and sister of the order walked to the front of the master and were united in marriage. The entire audience was taken by surprise, having had no intimation that there was to be a wedding. Soft eyes began to dart love glances around the grange, and diffident bachelors exclaimed that the new order exceeded their most sanguine expectations, in providing partners for the faint-hearted.

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Domestic Geonomy.

Seal-skin fur has become very fashionable of late years. Consequently there is an increasing interest concerning the homes and habits of the animal which furnishes so important an article of commerce. Recent reports of great value have been made to our government by an officer who resided over a year on the seal islands of A'aska. The Pribyloy lalands, in Behring Sea, about one hundred and eighty miles from land, were long ago discovered and taken possession of by the Russians. Three of this group—St. Paul, St. George, and Otter Island—are favorite resorts of the fur seal at the breeding season. Then fabulous numbers cover place in a shallow dish, and let it cool; add ing season. Then fabulous numbers cover place in a shallow dish, and let it cool; add one more pound of awar to the arran. boil the shores. They begin to arrive in May or June. The young are reared and cared for upon land until September or October, when, having received some lessons in swimming, they follow their elders into the water with great apparent delight. The capture of the seals commences with their first landing on the islands, and is done with great rapidity. On St. Paul Island 72.000 seals were taken in less than four weeks, and the skins partially prepared for shipone more pound of sugar to the syrup; boil

SEAL-SKIN FURS.

stimulated her curiosity and tortured ner imagination. She could not help seeing that he was much preposessed in her favor, no doubt also, with his keenness and each of her head not yet seen him at her feet? What was it that kept him back? Was it timidity, ever line with his flows, as jolly as any dog. But when the storms inseparable from real love? Was it timidity, ever line with his back, he sets out in search of lost travelers in those fearful as her resolved to encourage him by greater attentions, and should circumstances require it, even by tenderness. She was pereparing a most unexpected denomement, and impatiently awaited the moment for a romantic explanation. A secret, whatever it as mutter, slways weighs heavily upon a woman's heart. Maria's tactics met with the decisite moments exceed upon her with so much passion that the decisite moments exceed and a thought of the difference of the course, and a his black ever rested upon her with so much passion that the decisite moments exceed and a thought mood, and his black ever rested upon her with so much passion that the decisite moments exceed a man a matter of course, and his black ever rested upon her with so much passion that the decisite moments come of old and chilt, sense of undocation; at a remarkably healthy country.

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BY MRS. B. F. PRISBIE. think that we had better go and join the Grangers, wife, And see if there we'll find the means to brighten country life;

Have easier times and speedier gains than have I'd like to see a farmer Judge, and, ere my day

are spent; farmer for a Governor and one for President; know you think these silly thoughts my poor old head derange; at have a little patience, wife, until we joi

know there is enjoyment there, for many times, last fall. e seen their faces teem with joy, as they cam from their hall; ful work they do.

the Grange.

ad they are pledged, I'll warrant, wife, to upright and true. Vhat say you, then, shall we not go and help our neighbors there, and of the pleasures or the pain our rightful

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THE WONDERS

MODERN CHEMISTRY.

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seals were taken in less than four weeks, and the skins partially prepared for shipping. It is estimated that there are annually on she islands of St. George and St. Paul over 5,000,000 seals. Only those of such an age and condition as to be valuable for their fur are killed, and the number is now thin the seal is very unlike the hair seal, the latter being the animal usually found in menageries. A marked peculiarity of the fur seal is that the covering of the body is composed of two coats, the smooth, glistening overhair which extends beyond the fur and conceals it, and the soft, elastic fur in which the value of the skin consists. When the seal-skin is prepared for the market the hair is removed by a peculiar process, and then the fur appears in all its perfection.

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A STORY.—My grand-father tells the following story: In the salic state of the skin consists. When the seal-skin is prepared for the market the hair is removed by a peculiar process, and then the fur appears in all its perfection.

drawing-room when Bourmin came in and inquired for Maria.

"She is in the garden," was the reply.

and collar about his neck, as if ready to start on his old mission. Some people live through a whole life, and never accomplish of five cents. The through a whole life, and never accomplish of the pit reply. giver remarked as he handed him the pittance, "Take it, you are welcome; our ears are always open to the distressed." "That The old lady crossed herself and thought THE OLD FOLKS JOIN THE GRANGE. may be," replied the recipient, "but never before in my life have I seen so small an opening for such large ears."

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said the landlady to Spicer, who was thoughtfully regarding his breakfast cup "No, ma'am, said Spicer, only looking over my grounds in Java."

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want you to stay at home whenever I shall wish to go out." "Well, ma'am, I have no objections, providin' you do the same when I wish to go out." "Old age is coming upon me rapidly," as the urchin said, when he was stealing apples from an old man's garden, and saw the owner coming whip in hand.

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